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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Atty. Dkt.: 260-85

Date: February 19, 2002

Attached for filing is the patent application of:
Inventor: Robert Sicilia
Entitled: GATE ASSEMBLY FOR REDUCING DROOLING OF MELT
             FROM A SPRUE BAR
and including attachments as noted below:

☒ Newly executed Declaration,☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract
18 pages of specification and claims (including 20 numbered claims), and
8   sheets of accompanying drawing/s.
☒ Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.
☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.
☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	**Country**	**Day/Month/Year Filed**

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..
☐ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.
☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior appln. no. _____ filed _____
☐ Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line: --This application claims
    the benefit of Provisional Application No.   , filed   , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by
    reference in this application.--
☐ Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line: --This application is a ☐
    continuation/☐ division/☐ continuation-in-part of Application No.   , filed   ,   , the entire content of
    which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--
☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.
☐ The prior application is assigned to   .
☐ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the
    Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached.
☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status.   ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.
☐ Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment **prior** to calculation of filing fee:

☐ Also attached:☐ **Information Disclosure Statement;** ☐ **Non-Publication Request;** ☐ **Nucleotide and/or
    Amino Acid Sequence Submission;** ☐ **Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application;** ☐ **Other:**

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Basic Filing Fee						$	740.00
Total effective claims	20	- 20 (at least 20) =	0	x $ 18.00		$	0.00
Independent claims	7	- 3 (at least 3) =	4	x $ 84.00		$	336.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add $280.00 (ignore improper)						$	0.00
					SUBTOTAL	$	1076.00
If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract						-$(	0.00)
					SECOND SUBTOTAL	$	1076.00
Assignment Recording Fee ($40.00)						$	40.00
					TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED	$	1,116.00

Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension.
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u>, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed,
or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140.**
A <u>duplicate</u> copy of this sheet is attached.

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